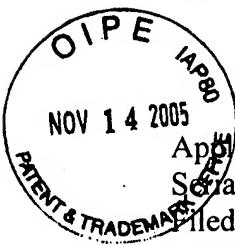


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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION PURSUANT TO  
37 CFR § 1.116(b)(2)

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the office action mailed July 21, 2005, in which pending Claims 1-6 of the above-referenced application were rejected, please enter this amendment and request to reconsider the rejection based upon the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.